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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: EBERLE ET AL - 4 PCT
SERIAL NO.: 10/030,614 EXAMINER: B. DENTZ
FILED: MAY 3, 2002 GROUP: 1625
TITLE: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING MONOLITHIC OXIDATION CATALYSTS
AND THEIR USE IN THE GAS-PHASE OXIDATION OF
HYDROCARBONS

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(2)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated, May 12, 2003, for two months, from AUGUST 12, 2003 to OCTOBER 12, 2003. Because October 12, 2003 is a Sunday, and because October 13, 2003 is the holiday, Columbus Day, the due date is automatically extended until Tuesday, OCTOBER 14, 2003. Submitted herewith, under Rule 17(a)(2), is a check in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a Large Entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

Respectfully submitted,

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